



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Clarke et al.

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Entitled: ISOLATION AND USE OF SOLID TUMOR STEM CELLS

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 21, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004, due by July 21, 2004. A request for a two-month extension of time from July 21 to September 21, 2004 is requested herewith. This amendment and response is filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the captioned application in view of the following amendments and remarks.